



**MINUTES**  
**PARADISE TOWN COUNCIL**  
**SPECIAL MEETING – 9:00 AM – December 22, 2023**

The Special meeting of the Paradise Town Council was called to order by Mayor Lassonde at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers located at 5555 Skyway, Paradise, California who led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Greg Bolin, Steve Crowder, Steve “Woody” Culleton, and Ron Lassonde Mayor.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:** Rose Tryon

**STAFF PRESENT:** Town Manager Jim Goodwin, Town Clerk/Elections Official Dina Volenski, Town Attorney Scott E. Huber (via Teams), Eric Reinbold, Police Chief, Colette Curtis, Recovery and Economic Development Director and Information Systems Director Luis Marquez (via remote)

**2. COUNCIL CONSIDERATION**

- 2a. Consider approval of a proposed trip to be taken by Council Member Steve Crowder to Washington DC, if necessary, to advocate for HR 5863 (tax burden relief for wildfire claimants) in an amount not to exceed \$4,500.

Town Manager Jim Goodwin provided an overview of the request for funding for Council Member Crowder to potentially go to Washington D.C. to advocate for HR 5863 (tax burden relief for wildfire claimants). Council Member Crowder will not know if the trip is necessary until the end of the year.

**MOTION by Culleton, seconded by Bolin,** Council approved the proposed trip to be taken by Council Member Steve Crowder to Washington DC, if necessary, to advocate for HR 5863 in an amount not to exceed \$4,500. Council Member Crowder will pay for the travel costs upfront and be reimbursed up to \$4,500. Roll call vote was unanimous with Council Member Tryon absent and not voting. (550-30-001)

- 2b. 1. Discuss and consider accepting the proposed Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Butte, the Butte County Sheriff’s Office, the Town of Paradise and the Paradise Police Department, for assistance with PSAP Services; and, 2. Authorize Town staff to execute the amended MOU and provide payment for the services as described therein.

Police Chief Eric Reinbold provided an overview of the request to amend the MOU with the Butte County Sheriff's office. Chief Reinbold shared that the contract was not able to be extended and would end on June 30, 2024.

**MOTION by Crowder, seconded by Culleton**, accepted the proposed Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Butte, the Butte County Sheriff's Office, the Town of Paradise and the Paradise Police Department, for assistance with PSAP Services; and, 2. Authorized Town staff to execute the amended MOU and provide payment for the services as described therein. Roll call vote was unanimous with Council Member Tryon absent and not voting. (510-20-242)

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Lassonde adjourned the meeting at 9:17 a.m.

Date approved: January 9, 2024

By:

Attest:

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Ronald Lassonde, Mayor

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Dina Volenski, CMC, Town Clerk